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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of one month is hereby requested to file a Notice of Appeal.

A one-month extension is respectfully requested, making the due date February 16, 2007. The requisite fee in the amount of \$120.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is believed to be due.

The Patent Office issued a final Office Action on September 13, 2006. In response, the Applicants promptly filed a first reply within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date and the Examiner did not issue an Advisory Action until January 16, 2007, after the end of the THREE

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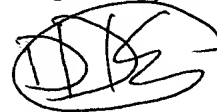
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MONTH shortened statutory period. Thus, Applicants have calculated the extension fee of this Petition from the mailing date of the Advisory Action.

The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge payment of \$120.00 or any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37 C.F.R § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

Respectfully submitted,

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